

I may come near loving you
Then you are dead
And there is nothing to do
. And much to be said.

To repent that day will be
Impossible
For you, and vain for me
The truth to tell.

I shall be sorry for
Your impotence:

You can do and undo no more
When you go hence,

Cannot even forgive ~~the funeral~~
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But not so long as you live
Can I love you at all.